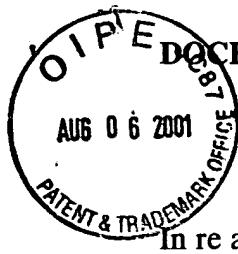


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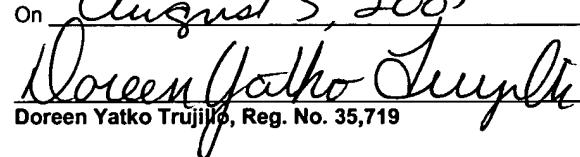
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified patent application is:

A Response and Amendment Responsive to the Office Action Dated February 6, 2001.

Other: _____.

Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.

Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 as:

- an Independent Inventor
- a Small Business Concern
- a Nonprofit Organization

FEES CALCULATION

No Additional Fee is Due.

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- Petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of February 6, 2001 to and through August 6, 2001 comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of three month(s).
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SHOULD ANY DEFICIENCIES APPEAR with respect to this application, including deficiencies in payment of fees, missing parts of the application or otherwise, the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully requested to promptly notify the undersigned.

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